

Request for Information: Frequently Asked Questions

The following are answers to questions that were submitted regarding Safety & Security Planning Services for 2015 Volvo Ocean Race Stopover Newport, RI:

Question: With regards to the planning component, is it desired to be an “All-Hazards” plan or strictly limited in scope to “Security” related activities?

Answer: Scope is limited to security related activities and emergency services.

Question: If the plan is to be “All Hazards”, conceptually will the desired plan include Prevention, Mitigation, Response and Recovery?

Answer: N/A as the scope is limited strictly to security related activities.

Question: Is it the intent for the consultant to provide, directly supervise and/or manage (operational oversight) physical security operations or limited to strategic level plan management?

Answer: It is the intent that the consultant provides direct supervision of the private security company and coordinates with municipal, state and federal public safety entities.

Question: Are those requirements specific to dignitaries? General Population? Critical infrastructure? Government, Non-Government Organizations and/or Private Sector Operations?

Answer: Requirements are specific to all: dignitaries, general population, critical infrastructure, government, non-government organization and private sector operations.

Question: Specific to timeframe preparation, if you decide to retain a consultant for this work, when would you project the contract to be initiated (i.e. what would be the estimated lead time)?

Answer: The target start time is January 2015.

Question: Will the planning activities be specific to event activities or include regions/potential activities external to the principal event?

Answer: Planning activities will be specific to the event area which is Fort Adams State Park Newport, RI.

Question: Will a threat assessment be available to the project management team and is the document considered “current/up-to-date”?

Answer: A threat assessment will be prepared by the State Police and shared with the project management team.

Question: What are the minimum insurance criteria and requirements (if any)?

Answer: Company must provide Certificate of Liability Insurance in the amount of no less than \$5 million. Further details will be outlined in the RFP should it be issued.

Question: With regards to licenses, is national company credentialing acceptable (national registry/company home state registry, etc.)?

Answer: No, company must qualify to do business in Rhode Island through the Office of the Secretary of

State upon award of contract. Questions regarding qualification can be directed to the Secretary of State's Corporations Division at 401-222-3040.

Question: Are there specific licenses required for the consultant to obtain within the State of Rhode Island if such an award is implemented?

Answer: Private security guard companies should be licensed by the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office: <http://www.riag.ri.gov/documents/bci/security.pdf> in addition to the Office of the Secretary of State.